DOCUMENT RESUME

ED 382 202 IR 055 482

AUTHOR Riordan, Dale B.
TITLE Selected Resources on Bioethics.
INSTITUTION North Carolina Univ., Charlotte. J. Murrey Atkins Library.
PUB DATE [95]
NOTE 13p.
PUB TYPE Guides -- Non-Classroom Use (055) -- Reference Materials - Bibliographies (131)

EDRS PRICE MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.
DESCRIPTORS *Bioethics; *Citations (References); Dictionaries; Encyclopedias; Indexes; Library Catalogs; Library Materials; *Reference Materials; *Research Tools; *Resource Materials

ABSTRACT

This guide is intended to help the user become familiar with a selected group of reference tools and resources related to bioethics. Bioethics can be defined as the study of ethical issues which arise in medicine and the life sciences. The literature in this field draws from both the sciences and the social sciences. The following types of literature are defined and useful references of each type are given: reference books, including dictionaries, encyclopedias, and bibliographies (5 references); periodical indexes (11 references); textbooks (7 references); selected periodicals (23 references); and style manuals (1 reference). Instructions are provided on finding journal articles on a particular topic, the use of the Atkins Library's Periodicals and Serials List (PASL), locating books, and communicating your research. (Author/MAS)

**********
* Reproductions supplied by EDRS are the best that can be made *
* from the original document. *
**********

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Office of Educational Research and Improvement
EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES INFORMATION CENTER (ERIC)
☐ This document has been reproduced as received from the person or organization originating it.
☐ Minor changes have been made to improve reproduction quality.
• Points of view or opinions stated in this document do not necessarily represent official OERI position or policy.

ED 382 202

# SELECTED RESOURCES ON BIOETHICS

Compiled by

Dale B. Riordan
Life Sciences Reference Librarian
J. Murrey Atkins Library
University of North Carolina at Charlotte

CONTENTS

Reference Books . . . . . 1
Finding Journal Articles on Your Topic . . . . . 2
P.A.S.L. . . . . 6
Locating Books . . . . . 7
Textbooks . . . . . 8
Finding Journal Articles on Your Topic . . . . . 9
Communicating Your Research . . . . . 11

IR055482

dbr395

BEST COPY AVAILABLE



"PERMISSION TO REPRODUCE THIS MATERIAL HAS BEEN GRANTED BY
Dale B. Riordan
TO THE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES INFORMATION CENTER (ERIC)."

This guide is intended to help you become familiar with a selected group of reference tools and resources related to bioethics. Bioethics can be defined as the study of ethical issues which arise in medicine and the life sciences. The literature in this field draws from both the sciences and the social sciences.

## REFERENCE BOOKS

Guides to the literature, dictionaries, encyclopedias are listed here. Literature guides usually list the major sources available in field and include descriptive annotations. Specialized dictionaries are essential for the definition and spelling of technical terms, as well as providing examples and illustrations of usage. Specialized encyclopedias provide the background and scope necessary to a basic understanding of the topic. Most articles also provide a useful bibliography of both classical and more current sources for further reading.

Bioethics: A Guide to Information Sources. by Doris Goldstein. Detroit: Gale, 1982. (Z6675 E8 G64 1982)

Although somewhat dated, this is a useful source for information about organizations, programs, library collections, periodicals, bibliographies, databases, and reference works. Annotated entries are arranged in fifteen topical sections.

Dictionary of Medical Ethics. edited by A.S. Duncan, G.R. Dunstan, and R.B. Welbourn. New York: Crossroad, 1981. (REF R724 D53 1981)

Articles average 1-2 pages and serve as an introduction to medical ethics topics. Appended references suggest sources for further study. Introductory pages include a discussion of the scientific basis of medical practice and medical ethics.

Encyclopedia of Bioethics. 2nd ed. edited by Warren T. Reich. New York: Free Press, 1994. 5 volumes. (REF QH332 E52)

Provides extensive signed articles with bibliographies on historical, philosophical, religious, legal and any other pertinent views on topics such as: abortion, code of medical ethics, death and dying and euthanasia.

Encyclopedia of Philosophy. edited by Paul Edwards. New York: Macmillan, 1967. 8 volumes. (REF B41 E5)

Although a new edition is needed, it provides well written and readable articles on philosophy in general.

Hastings Center's Bibliography of Ethics, Biomedicine and Professional Responsibility. Rev. ed. Frederick, MD: University Publications of America, 1984.

This short bibliography lists useful and pertinent resources grouped topically. There is a complete author index and a detailed table of contents. Some entries are annotated, most are not.

---

## FINDING JOURNAL ARTICLES ON YOUR TOPIC

---

Periodical indexes provide access to reported research by subject and/or author entries. Some indexes also have abstracts, short summaries of the research

Additions and changes to subject terminology can happen quickly, so most indexes have subject control to find the term for indexing purposes, e.g. bulimarexia became bulimia.

Since bioethics is a multidisciplinary topic, no single index can cover the literature.

Applied Science and Technology Index. New York: H.W. Wilson, 1944 - . (INDEX Z7913.I7 and CD-ROM)

Cumulative index to English language periodicals. Subjects indexed include aeronautic, space and atmospheric sciences, chemistry, computer technology, engineering, geology, physics etc.

Suggested Subject Headings:
- science and ethics
- medical ethics,
- genetic screening
- gene therapy

Bibliography of Bioethics. Detroit: Gale Research, 1975 - . (INDEX Z6675 E8 B52)

This is a comprehensive and interdisciplinary index covering over 400 English-language journals dealing with bioethical topics. Author, title and subject index is provided.

Suggested Subject Headings:
genetic screening
human experimentation
fetuses
biomedical technologies

Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health. Glendale, CA: CINAHL, 1960 - . (INDEX Z6675 N7C8 and CD-ROM)

Known as "CINAHL", this is the first nursing index to be published in the United States and is now wider in scope with allied health coverage. It indexes approximately 300 English-language journals for nurses, allied health professional, and others interested in health care issues. The National League for Nursing serial publications are also covered. It is arranged in subject and author sections.

Suggested Subject Headings:
ethics nursing
ethics
genetics engineering

Expanded Academic Index. 1980 - . (CD-ROM)

This subject index covers over 2200 popular and professional journals. Some abstracts are available.

Suggested Subject Headings:
fetal tissue transplantation
human experimentation in medicine
nursing ethics
pharmaceutical ethics
medical ethics
reproductive technology
fertilization in vitro human - moral and ethical aspects
sex preselection - moral and ethical aspects
reproduction - moral and ethical aspects

Humanities Index. New York: H.W. Wilson, 1974 - .
(INDEX AI3 R492)

Cumulative index to English-language periodicals. Author and subject entries are in one alphabet. It includes areas such as language and literature, history, the arts, religion, philosophy, etc. It was formerly called Social Sciences and Humanities Index.

Suggested Subject Headings: bioethics
human reproductive technology
human genetics

Index Medicus. Washington, D.C.: National Library of Medicine, 1960 - . (Index Z6660 I422)

Comprehensive index to the world's medical literature.

Suggested Subject Heading: bioethics

Index to Legal Periodicals. New York: H.W. Wilson. 1952 - .
(Index KF8 I5)

Covers legal periodicals published in the U.S., Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, Australia and new Zealand. Entries arranged alphabetically by subject.

Suggested Subject Headings: genetic engineering
medical ethics

Philosopher's Index. Bowling Green, OH: Bowling Green State University, 1967 - . (Index Z7127.P5)

Provides indexing and abstracts for books and journals in philosophy and related disciplines including ethics, law and religion.

Suggested Subject Headings: bioethics
medical ethics

Psychological Abstracts. Washington, D.C.: American Psychological Association, 1972 - . (INDEX BF1 P65 and CD-ROM)

This index and abstract covers the literature of psychology and behavioral science. It includes English-language and foreign language periodical articles, books, book chapters, and doctoral dissertations.

Free Text Search Strategy: bioethic*

Social Sciences Index. New York: H.W. Wilson, 1974 - . (INDEX AI3 R493)

Arranged in one sequence of subject and authors together, indexing approximately 300 journals including many related to nursing, and the medical or psychological aspects of the individual, the family, or the community. Coverage prior to 1974 is provided by the Social Sciences and Humanities Index and before that by the International Index for historical/retrospective coverage.

Suggested Subject Headings:
- medical research - moral and ethical aspects
- bioethics
- transplantation of organs, tissues etc. - moral and ethical aspects

Sociological Abstracts. New York: Sociological Abstracts, 1935 - . (INDEX HM1 S67 and CD-ROM)

This index, with abstracts, is organized is much the same way as Psychological Abstracts. It is a subject and author index to journal articles, with separate sections for papers presented to the various regional associations. Organized in broad fields of interest, the most useful to nursing may be the Sociology of Health and Medicine section.

Free Text Search Strategy: bioethic*

## P.A.S.L. (Periodicals and Serials List)

P.A.S.L. is a computer printout listing all periodicals owned by Atkins Library. Look here to see if the library has the periodical you need.

There are two versions of P.A.S.L. The large blue covered P.A.S.L. was last printed in the Spring of 1990. It will never be updated. The green version will be updated and has titles and cataloging information for titles which have been recently added to the library's collection. Start with the green one.

Periodicals are listed alphabetically by title or by issuing organization. Each entry gives information on the volumes and years of a journal owned by the library, the format in which is appears, and the call number. P.A.S.L. copies are located on the first floor near the indexes and also on the 2nd floor in the periodicals collection area.

Periodical titles are also listed in Aladdin. If you can't find your title in any of these sources--Atkins Library does not own it.

Example:

**THE HASTINGS CENTER REPORT**
**R724.H27B**
BD/CURR PER: 12(1982)-21(1991)-
MICROFILM: 1(1979)-11(1981)

CURR: CURRENT year issued of the periodical

BD PER: Older issues which are in BOUND PERIODICAL format

MIC: MICROFICHE or MICROFILM volumes of a periodical. These are arranged by call number in metal cabinets in the periodicals collection of the 2nd floor.

## LOCATING BOOKS

The Library has two catalogs for materials in the collection: Aladdin and the card catalog. Aladdin, the online catalog, includes all currently received books and most added since 1976. Aladdin does not include most government documents and some materials in Special Collections. The advantage of the online catalog is that it will tell you if a book has been checked out and its due date. The card catalog is no longer active, but it must be searched for older works. Both the card catalog and Aladdin can be searched by author, title, and subject.

Author Search - A/Authors last name

Tip: Type the author's last name followed by their first initial

Title Search - T/Title of book

Tip: If the title begins with an article (a, an, the) omit it from your search strategy.

Subject Search - S/Subject heading

Tip: Be sure to identify the proper subject heading for your topic by using Library of Congress Subject Headings, the red books near the Aladdin terminals.

Suggested Subject Headings:

genetic engineering - moral and ethical aspects
biotechnology - moral and ethical aspects
genetics - moral and ethical aspects
medical ethics

Contemporary Issues in Bioethics. 3rd ed. by Tom L. Beauchamp and LeRoy Walters. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth Publishing, 1989. (R724 C67 1989)

This text outlines situations in which biology, medicine and ethics meet. Essays are arranged in a debate format so that the reader can explore both sides of each issue. Each chapter includes an introduction, essays, recommended readings and references.

Cross Cultural Perspectives in Medical Ethics: Readings. by Robert M. Veatch. Boston: Jones and Bartlett, 1989. (R724 C833 1989)

These readings provide an introduction to key principles of normative ethics. Fundamental concepts and principles are related to major issues in medical ethics today. As the title suggests, the role of culture is also addressed.

Health Care Ethics: Principles & Problems. by Thomas M. Garrett, Harold W. Baillie and Rosellen M. Garrett. Englewood Cliffs: Prentice Hall, 1989. (R724 G35 1989)

After outlining numerous principles the authors apply these principles to true problems. Many chapters conclude by listing several cases for analysis.

Medical Ethics. Edited by Robert M. Veatch. Boston: Jones and Bartlett, 1989. (RA724 M2927 1989)

This work presents individually authored chapters by leading authorities in medical ethics. Each chapter starts with a summary, includes a discussion of critical concepts, arguments and positions, and ends with a set of discussion questions.

A Primer for Health Care Economics: Essays for a Pluralistic Society. by Jean deBlois, Patrick Norris and Kevin O'Rourke. Washington: Georgetown University Press, 1994. (R724 D3826 1994)

Essays are arranged in two parts. Part One presents the concepts of medical ethics and Part Two considers cases that have received widespread media attention.

Principles of Biomedical Ethics. 4th ed. New York: Oxford University Press, 1994.

Textbook of Medical Ethics. by Erich H. Loewy. New York: Plenum, 1989. (RT724 L64 1989)

This scholarly work begins with an historical and theoretical approach to bioethics and then moves to explore specific issues like organ donation and care of the terminally ill. Chapters include extensive references and the book is thoroughly indexed.

---

## SELECTED PERIODICALS

---

American Journal of Law & Medicine. 1975- . Quarterly. American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics, 765 Commonwealth Ave., Ste. 1634, Boston, MA 02215

American Journal of Public Health. 1911- . . Monthly. American Public Health Association, 1015 15th St. N.W. Washington, D.C., 20005.

BMJ (British Medical Journal). 1840- . Weekly. British Medical Association, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Sq., London WC1H 9JR, England.

Ethics: an International Journal of Social, Political and Legal Philosophy. 1890- . Quarterly. University of Chicago Press, Journals Division, 5720 S. Woodlawn Ave., Chicago, IL 60637.

Hastings Center Report. 1971- . Bimonthly. Hastings Center, 255 Elm Rd.. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510.

IRB: A Review of Human Subjects Research. 1979- . Bimonthly. Hastings Center, 255 Elm Rd.. Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510.

Journal of Medical Ethics. 1975- . Quarterly. BMJ Publishing Group, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Sq., London WC1H 9JR, England.

Journal of Medicine and Philosophy. 1976- . 6/yr. Baylor Kluwer Academic Publishers, Postbus 17, 3300 AA Dordrecht, Netherlands.

Journal of Religious Ethics. 1973- . Semiannual. Scholars Press, Box 15399, Atlanta, Georgia 30333-0399.

JAMA: The Journal of the American Medical Association. American Medical Association, 515 N. State St., Chicago, IL 60610.

Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal. 1991- . Quarterly. Johns Hopkins University Press, Journals Publishing Division, 2715 North Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21218.

Lancet. 1823- . Weekly. Lancet Ltd., 42 bedford Square, London WC1B 3SL, England.

Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics. 1973- . Quarterly. American Society of Law Medicine and Ethics, 765 Commonwealth Ave. Ste. 1634, Boston, MA 02215.

Linacre Quarterly: A Journal of the Philosophy and Ethics of Medical Practice. 1932- . Quarterly. National Federation of Catholic Physicians Guilds, 850 Elm Grove Road, Elm Grove, WI 53122.

Medico-Legal Journal. 1932- . Quarterly. Dramrite Pritners, Ltd., 129 Long Lane, Southwark, London SE1 4PL, England.

Nature. 1869- . Weekly. Nature, Box 1733, Riverton, NJ 08077-7333.

New England Journal of Medicine. 1812- . Weekly. Massachusetts Medical Society. 1440 Main St., Waltham, MA 02254

New Scientist. 1956- . Weekly. IPC Magazines, Specialist Magazine Group, King's Reach Tower, Stamford St., London SE1 9LS, England.

Perspectives in Biology and Medicine. 1957- . Quarterly. University of Chicago Press, Journals Division, 5720 S. Woodlawn Ave., Chicago, IL 60637.

Philosophy and Public Affairs. 1971- . quarterly. Princeton University Press, 41 William St., Princeton, NJ 08540.

Science. 1880- . Weekly. American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1333 H St. N.W., Washington, D.C., 20005.

Science, Technology and Human Values. 1972- . Quarterly. Sage Publications, Inc., 2455 Teller Rd. Thousand Oaks, CA 91320.

Social Science & Medicine. 1978- . 24/yr. Elsevier Science Ltd., 660 White Plains Rd., Tarrytwon, NY 10591-5153.

## COMMUNICATING YOUR RESEARCH

A style manual will help you consistently identify all of the resources you used, whether they are books, journals, government documents, etc.

Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association.
3rd ed. Washington, D.C.: The Association, 1983.
(REF BF76.7 P83)